Road Overbridge in Bombay

2023. SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state what steps Government are taking to construct a New Road Over Bridge South of Ghatkopar Railway Station in Bombay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): The Bombay Corporation had, sometime ago, initiated proposal for the work, to be undertaken by the railway on 'Deposit Terms'. They have not yet deposited the requisite charges towards preparation of detailed plans/estimate for the work by the Railway. The work can be taken up only after the BMC approve the plan/estimate and deposit the estimated cost.

Unauthorised construction at Ghatkopar Railway Station

2024. SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to refer to answer to the Unstarred Question 4193 and 275 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 31st August, 1988 and 26th April, 1989 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the unauthorised structures put up by the slum-lords on the South-end of Ghatkopar Railway Station in Bombay on the West of the Railway Tracks continue to exist and have been expanding as well;

(b) whether it is a fact that these structures have come up as a result of the patronage given by the Junior Railway Officials;

(c) the steps Government have taken to remove the unauthorised structure and terminate the licence of the plot holders;

(d) whether it is also a fact that the land was never used for the objectives listed under the Grow More Food Scheme; and

(e) by when the unauthorised structures are likely to be removed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) An unauthorised hut covering an area of about 20 m2 has been put up by one person to whom the plot had earlier been licensed for Grow More Food purposes. Such structures at this location had been demolished several times in the past but has come up again. The structure has not expanded.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) The licence for the piece of land was terminated on 7-6-89 and the unauthorised structure demolished several times in the past. However, the structure was put up again by the party who has now taken the matter to Court. The Railways are fighting the case.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) Further action depends upon the verdict to be given by the Court.

Electrification of Railways between Kazipet and Hyderabad

2025. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the progress on electrification between Khajipet and Hyderabad is slow pace; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Metregauge Rail line work on Lalgarh-Bikaner

2026. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) by when Government propose to start the conversion work on Lalgarh-Bikaner metre gauge rail line;

(b) the details of other metre gauge rail lines proposed to be converted into broad gauge in Rajasthan during the 8th Five Year Plan; and

(c) by when all the metre gauge lines are likely to be converted into broad gauge in that State?